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## City of Helotes, Texas, Offers New Online Services

The new online registration and payment options bring convenience and efficiencies to citizens and businesses

AUSTIN, Texas – September 2, 2014. The <u>City of Helotes, Texas</u>, has partnered with <u>Texas.gov</u> to make several key municipal services available online. Designed with convenience and security in mind, the city is proud to offer its residents and business owners the following online options:

- Food Permit This permit is required for business owners with a permanent food
  establishment. The online permit application is available at <a href="https://www.texas.gov/HelotesFoodPermit">www.texas.gov/HelotesFoodPermit</a>.
- Health Permit (Temporary Food Permit) Business and vendors that need to apply for a temporary one-day, multiple-day, or an annual permit can do so online at www.texas.gov/HelotesHealthPermit.
- MarketPlace Booth Rental The MarketPlace at Old Town Helotes occurs the first Saturday
  of every month. Vendors are encouraged to register for a booth online at
  www.texas.gov/HelotesBoothFee.
- Pet Registration Every dog and cat over the age of four months must be licensed with the
  City of Helotes. Residents can complete the pet registration process online at
  www.texas.gov/HelotesPetRegistration.
- **Special Event Permits** Parades, fundraisers, fun runs or walks, and more are all considered special events. Register for a permit at <a href="https://www.texas.gov/HelotesEventPermit">www.texas.gov/HelotesEventPermit</a>.

Users can pay with a Visa, MasterCard, Discover, or American Express credit card, and they will receive an email confirmation of their payment. These services are also mobile-friendly, meaning they can be easily viewed and completed on a tablet or smart phone.

<u>Texas.gov</u>, the official website of the state of Texas, provides online applications and payment processing services for more than 250 state, local, and higher education entities. Utilizing one of

Texas.gov's <u>enterprise payment solutions</u>, the city of Helotes has a simple, secure way to collect online payments.

### **About Texas.gov**

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#### **About NIC**

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